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The Today Show

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GARRICK UTLEY: Now here is a who's who which may not seem to make very much sense. David Bruce, the first U.S.
Ambassador to China, among other things; CIA Director William Casey; film director John Ford; former CIA Director Allen Dulles; three-time Pulitzer Prize-winner Archibald MacLeish. Now, what do they all have in common? Well, during the Second World War they all served in the Office of Strategic Services, the GCS, a fledgling intelligence agency under the direction of war hero William Donovan, otherwise known as Wild Bill Donovan, as in "Wild Bill Donovan: The Last Hero." That's the title of a new book just out by Anthony Cave Brown. And Mr. Brown is here this morning to talk to us about Bill Donovan, along with William Colby, former Director of the CIA.

You gentlemen know Wild Bill well. Tell me, here is a man who was a very successful lawyer, a prominent socialite, a war hero, held a Congressional Medal of Honor for his services in World War I, the founder of the OSS. In essence, what kind of a figure was this?

ANTONY CAVE BROWN: It's very difficult to describe

Donovan because, of course, he was all things to all men. But
one thing that struck me during the 3 1/2 years that I took to do
the biography was that he was an heroic figure. The Irish, in
seeking an explanation for him, thought that he was a throwback
to the high Irish kings, the great warrior, the great statesman,
a man of wisdom, a man who is intolerable, impossible, and yet
brilliant. He seemed to be everything, the man with the golden
tongue.

UTLEY: And he gets things done.

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